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1997-98 BASKETBALL MOUTH PROTECTOR RULE

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All players shall wear mouth protectors that must cover all molars as well as front teeth

- Mouth protectors must be worn in all practices and games. This includes preseason scrimmages, jamborees as well as the state tournament.
- Mouth protectors are required of all participants at all levels of interscholastic competition (Freshman, Junior Varsity, Varsity)
- There is no color requirement for mouth protectors.

ADMINISTRATION on the Court

- Coaches shall assume the responsibility to make certain each player is provided with and is properly wearing a mouth protector.
- In the event a player is participating without a mouth protector the game official shall stop play and remove the player from the contest.
- A charged 20-second time out must be used to re-insert the player or substitute for the player.
- If the 20-second time outs have been used up one of the full length time outs must be used.
- If all time outs have been used up, a technical foul on the player will be assessed.

WAIVERS

Waivers can only be granted by the Sports Medicine Committee upon receipt of documentation provided by a physician (as defined by NH RSA 329). A player must wear the mouth protector until clearance and waivers of liability have been signed by the physician, parents, and school.